JAMIA SUFFAH

SUFFAH EDUCATIONAL GUIDANCE

ADMISSIONS PROSPECTUS

7-Year ʿĀlim Course

Full-Time ʿĀlimiyyah Program

A rigorous path through the Islamic sciences—rooted in the Qur'an and Sunnah, shaped by adab, and directed toward service.

Next batch begins August 18, 2026

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01 · OUR PURPOSE

Knowledge that forms the whole person

Jamia Suffah is inspired by Aṣḥāb al-Ṣuffah—the Companions who devoted themselves to knowledge, worship, sacrifice, and the company of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ.

Our seven-year ʿĀlimiyyah program prepares students to engage the classical Islamic tradition with accuracy and confidence. Its aim is not simply the completion of texts, but the formation of sincere Muslims who embody humility, discipline, adab, and responsibility.

> *We seek to nurture students who are connected to revelation, attached to the Sunnah, grounded in scholarship, and prepared to serve their communities with wisdom.*

Our vision

To cultivate a generation deeply connected to the Qur'an and Sunnah, grounded in traditional Islamic knowledge, and prepared to serve the Ummah with sincerity and excellence.

Knowledge

Rigorous study of Arabic, Qur'an, Hadith, Fiqh, Tafsir, creed, and the rational sciences.

Character

Daily formation in sincerity, worship, respect, discipline, and Prophetic conduct.

Service

Preparation to teach, guide, research, lead, and uplift communities.

Our educational commitment

- Traditional texts taught by qualified scholars
- English-medium instruction with Arabic development
- Ḥanafī jurisprudence and Sunni creed
- Spiritual and moral training alongside academics
- Research, teaching, and public-speaking preparation

02 · PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Program at a glance

7 years
Foundations through Dawrah Hadith

Ages 13+
Open to boys and girls

Monday–Friday
7:00 AM–3:00 PM

August 18, 2026
Next cohort begins

$350 monthly
Financial aid available

Skokie, Illinois
3929 Oakton Street

Who should apply?

Students who can read the Qur'an, sincerely desire Islamic knowledge, are ready for a disciplined full-time program, demonstrate respectful conduct, and have strong family support.

Two enrollment options

Full-Time ʿĀlim Course
The complete seven-year Islamic studies curriculum.

ʿĀlim + Academic Schooling
The seminary curriculum with a daily academic block through American K12.

What defines the program?

- Daily Arabic and classical text study
- Qur'anic recitation and understanding
- Legal, theological, and rational formation
- Adab, punctuality, and responsibility
- Teaching, research, and community service

The academic year includes a summer break. Enrolled families receive the detailed holiday calendar before the term begins.

03 · AREAS OF STUDY

A complete seminary education

The curriculum moves from language and foundational texts to advanced study, scholarly method, and applied service.

Arabic Language

Naḥw, Ṣarf, vocabulary, speaking, reading, literature, and classical text analysis.

Qur'an & Tajwīd

Recitation, makhārij, ṣifāt, translation, memorization, and Qur'anic sciences.

Ḥanafī Fiqh & Uṣūl

Worship, family and commercial law, legal principles, inheritance, and contemporary issues.

Hadith & Methodology

Selected collections, terminology, commentary, Mishkāt, and the canonical works.

Tafsir & Qur'anic Sciences

Translation, classical commentary, themes of revelation, and practical guidance.

ʿAqidah & Kalam

Sunni creed, rational proofs, classical theology, and responses to modern doubts.

Sirah & Islamic History

The Prophetic life, the Companions, the Caliphs, and Muslim civilization.

Logic & Rational Sciences

Manṭiq, philosophy, sound argumentation, and critical engagement with worldviews.

> *At Jamia Suffah, knowledge is inseparable from adab. Students learn to respect teachers, classmates, books, time, and the responsibility carried by sacred learning.*

04 · CURRICULUM PATHWAY

From foundations to scholarly maturity

Year 1 · Foundations

Arabic grammar and morphology, vocabulary, Qur'an and Tajwīd, essential Fiqh, Arabic reading, and the adab of seeking knowledge. Selected texts include Durūs al-Lughah, al-ʿArabiyyah Bayna Yadayk, Fundamentals of Classical Arabic, Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah, Zād al-Ṭālibīn, and foundational Fiqh.

Year 2 · Strengthening the Foundation

Deeper syntax and morphology, translation of all thirty ajzāʾ, classical Ḥanafī Fiqh, theology, Sīrah, applied Tajwīd, and Arabic reading. Selected texts include ʿIlm al-Ṣīghah, Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī, Iqnāʿ al-Ḍamīr, Ḍawʾ al-Maʿālī, and Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah.

Year 3 · Textual Development

Advanced grammar and literature, Uṣūl al-Fiqh, Manṭiq, Kalām, Hadith, Tajwīd, Tafsir methodology, and Arabic Adab. Selected texts include Jāmiʿ al-Durūs, Īsāghūjī, Tamhīd, Sanūsiyyah, Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn, Jazariyyah, and Uṣūl al-Tafsir.

Years 4–6 · Advanced Islamic Sciences

Advanced Fiqh, Tafsir, Hadith and their methodologies; legal theory; rhetoric; philosophy; inheritance; theology; research; contemporary issues; public speaking; and supervised teaching practice.

Year 7 · Dawrah Hadith & Completion

Study of Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī, Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim, the four Sunan, Muwaṭṭaʾ Imām Mālik, Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ, and selected works. Students complete a final thesis and, upon successful completion, receive Ijāzah and Shahādah.

Text selection and sequencing may be refined by the seminary administration in response to student readiness and academic needs.

DETAILED CURRICULUM · YEARS 1–4

Year One · Foundations

Arabic, essential practice, Qur'anic recitation, Fiqh, and adab

The first year establishes the language skills, worship, discipline, and learning habits required for the seminary journey.

1ST TRIMESTER	2ND TRIMESTER	3RD TRIMESTER
Naḥw · Durūs al-Lughah Mawlana Yasir	**Naḥw · Durūs al-Lughah** Mawlana Yasir	**Naḥw · Durūs al-Lughah** Mawlana Yasir
al-ʿArabiyyah Bayna Yadayk Mawlana Bashar	**Adab · Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah Vol. 1 / Zād al-Ṭālibīn** Mawlana Talha / Mawlana Bashar	**Adab · Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah Vol. 1 / Zād al-Ṭālibīn** Mawlana Talha / Mawlana Bashar
Ṣarf FCA 1 Mawlana Bashar	**Ṣarf FCA 2** Mawlana Bashar	**Ṣarf FCA 3** Mawlana Bashar
Fiqh Mawlana Ismail	**Fiqh** Mawlana Ismail	**Fiqh** Mawlana Ismail
Adab / Tajwīd Mawlana Bashar	**Adab / Tajwīd** Mawlana Bashar	**Adab / Tajwīd** Mawlana Bashar

Updated from the 2026–27 curriculum grid supplied by the seminary. Instructor assignments and sequencing remain subject to final administrative confirmation.

DETAILED CURRICULUM · YEARS 1–4

Year Two · Strengthening the Foundation

Translation, grammar, morphology, Fiqh, theology, logic, Tajwīd, and Sīrah

Year Two deepens Qur'an translation and Arabic while introducing increasingly demanding classical texts.

1ST TRIMESTER	2ND TRIMESTER	3RD TRIMESTER
Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 1–15 Mawlana Ismail	**Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 1–15** Mawlana Ismail	**Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 1–15** Mawlana Ismail
Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 16–30 Mawlana Bashar	**Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 16–30** Mawlana Bashar	**Qur'an Tarjumah · Juz 16–30** Mawlana Bashar
Manṭiq · Īsāghūjī Mawlana Sulaiman	**Sanūsiyyah** Mawlana Yasir	**Sanūsiyyah** Mawlana Yasir
ʿIlm al-Ṣīghah Mawlana Bashar	**Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī** Mawlana Bashar	**Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī** Mawlana Bashar
Adab · Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah Vol. 2 TBD	**Adab · Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah Vol. 2** TBD	**Adab · Qirāʾat al-Rāshidah Vol. 3** TBD
Iqnāʿ al-Ḍamīr Mawlana Talha	**Iqnāʿ al-Ḍamīr** Mawlana Talha	**Tajwīd** Mawlana Bashar
ʿAqīdah · Ḍawʾ al-Maʿālī Mawlana Yasir	**ʿAqīdah · Ḍawʾ al-Maʿālī** Mawlana Yasir	**Sīrah** Mawlana Yasir

> The Qur'an translation sequence is taught across complementary classes covering all thirty ajzāʾ.

DETAILED CURRICULUM · YEARS 1–4

Year Three · Textual Development

Uṣūl, Arabic literature, theology, logic, Tajwīd, Hadith, and Tafsir methodology

Students develop the ability to read, analyze, and explain more advanced material across the Islamic sciences.

1ST TRIMESTER	2ND TRIMESTER	3RD TRIMESTER
Uṣūl al-Fiqh / Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī Mawlana Talha	**Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn** Mawlana Ismail	**Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn** Mawlana Ismail
Manṭiq · Īsāghūjī Mawlana Sulaiman	**Kalām · Tamhīd / Sanūsiyyah** Mawlana Sulaiman	**Kalām · Tamhīd / Sanūsiyyah** Mawlana Sulaiman
Naḥw · Jāmiʿ al-Durūs Mawlana Talha	**Naḥw · Jāmiʿ al-Durūs** Mawlana Talha	**Naḥw · Jāmiʿ al-Durūs** Mawlana Talha
Uṣūl al-Fiqh Qari Abdul Mannan	**Uṣūl al-Fiqh** Qari Abdul Mannan	**Uṣūl al-Fiqh** Qari Abdul Mannan
Uṣūl al-Tafsir Mawlana Yasir	**Uṣūl al-Tafsir** Mawlana Yasir	**Uṣūl al-Tafsir** Mawlana Yasir
Tajwīd · Jazariyyah Mawlana Bashar	**Tajwīd · Jazariyyah** Mawlana Bashar	**Tajwīd · Jazariyyah** Mawlana Bashar
Arabic Adab TBD	**Arabic Adab** TBD	**Arabic Adab** TBD

Course titles have been standardized typographically while retaining the supplied curriculum content.

DETAILED CURRICULUM · YEARS 1–4

Year Four · Advanced Study

Advanced Fiqh, philosophy, Tafsir, rhetoric, legal theory, Tajwīd, Hadith, Shama'il, and inheritance

Year Four consolidates intermediate study and prepares students for the upper years of the ʿĀlimiyyah program.

1ST TRIMESTER	2ND TRIMESTER	3RD TRIMESTER
Hidāyah Vol. 2 Mawlana Talha	**Hidāyah Vol. 2** Mawlana Talha	**Hidāyah Vol. 2** Mawlana Talha
Falsafah · Hidāyat al-Ḥikmah Mawlana Sulaiman	**Falsafah · Hidāyat al-Ḥikmah** Mawlana Sulaiman	**al-Intibāhāt al-Mufīdah** Mawlana Sulaiman
Uṣūl al-Tafsir Mawlana Yasir	**Tafsir al-Jalalayn (1–10)** Mawlana Yasir	**Tafsir al-Jalalayn (1–10)** Mawlana Yasir
Balāghah Mawlana Talha	**Balāghah** Mawlana Talha	**Balāghah** Mawlana Talha
Uṣūl al-Fiqh Qari Abdul Mannan	**Uṣūl al-Fiqh** Qari Abdul Mannan	**Uṣūl al-Fiqh** Qari Abdul Mannan
Tajwīd · Jazariyyah Mawlana Bashar	**Tajwīd · Jazariyyah** Mawlana Bashar	**Tajwīd · Jazariyyah** Mawlana Bashar

SUNDAY CLASSES

1ST TRIMESTER	2ND TRIMESTER	3RD TRIMESTER
Hidāyah Vol. 1 Mufti Sohail	**Hidāyah Vol. 1** Mufti Sohail	**Hidāyah Vol. 1** Mufti Sohail
TBD Sh. Saʿad	**TBD** Sh. Saʿad	**TBD** Sh. Saʿad
Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth Mawlana Talha	**Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth** Mawlana Talha	**Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth** Mawlana Talha
Shamā'il Sh. Obaid	**Shamā'il** Sh. Obaid	**Shamā'il** Sh. Obaid
Mīrāth Mawlana Sulaiman	**Mīrāth** Mawlana Sulaiman	**Mīrāth** Mawlana Sulaiman

> Sunday offerings and instructor assignments are subject to final confirmation.

05 · STUDENT FORMATION

A structured day, a purposeful education

Optional academic schooling track

Families may combine the ʿĀlim Course with continued academic schooling through American K12. The optional track is available for grades 8–12 and provides 90 minutes of dedicated academic time each day.

Students are expected to cultivate

- Regular attendance and punctuality
- Respect for teachers, peers, and books
- Timely assignments and memorization
- Active classroom participation
- Proper Islamic character
- Dignified representation of the seminary

> *The success of an ʿĀlim student is measured not only by what is known, but by how knowledge transforms worship, conduct, judgment, and service.*

The parent–seminary partnership

Parents are asked to support Islamic education at home, encourage punctuality, monitor study habits, communicate with administration, attend meetings when requested, and build a home culture of worship and adab.

06 · ADMISSIONS

Admissions and financial information

Application process

1 · Apply
Submit the program application.

2 · Qur'an assessment
Demonstrate basic reading ability.

3 · Parent interview
Discuss readiness and support.

4 · Student conversation
Held when required.

5 · Review
Administration considers the file.

6 · Decision
Families receive the outcome.

There is no general placement examination. Additional documents are requested only where relevant, including for transferring students.

Tuition and support

$350
Monthly tuition

$0
Registration fee

20%
Sibling discount

The book and material fee will be announced before enrollment is finalized. Financial aid is available upon request; families may speak confidentially with administration.

Admission requirements

- At least 13 years of age and able to read Qur'an
- Sincere desire and readiness for full-time study
- Respectful conduct, discipline, and family support

Admissions contact: Mawlana Talha · 1 (224) 580-6435 · info@jamiasuffah.org

07 · FACULTY

Guided by experienced scholars

Jamia Suffah's faculty includes scholars, imams, Qur'an teachers, and graduates of traditional seminaries with experience in teaching and community service.

NAME	ROLE	PROFILE
Qari Abdul Mannan	**Principal · Founder · Chairman**	A ḥāfiẓ, qārī, imam, and scholar who has served Chicagoland for more than thirty years and taught classical Dars Niẓāmī texts.
Mufti Abdul Sattar Patel	**Shaykh al-Hadith**	A senior scholar with more than twenty years of service as imam, khateeb, mufti, and instructor in Hadith, Fiqh, Uṣūl, and Manṭiq.
Mawlana Muhammad Talha Yousuf	**Seminary Director · Head Faculty**	Completed ḥifẓ at Suffah and Dawrah Hadith at Binori Town. Teaches Arabic grammar, literature, Fiqh, and Hadith.
Qari Arshad Patel	**ʿĀlimiyyah & Hifz Instructor**	Trained in ḥifẓ, qirāʾah, and ʿĀlimiyyah in Gujarat; leads Tajwīd and Qirāʾah instruction.
Mawlana Yasir Ahmed	**ʿĀlimiyyah Instructor**	A graduate of Darul Uloom Zakariyyah, teaching Arabic grammar, morphology, and Tafsir.
Mawlana Sulaiman Qadri	**ʿĀlimiyyah Instructor**	Teaches Arabic, Fiqh, Sīrah, history, creed, theology, logic, and philosophy.
Mawlana Bashar Khan	**ʿĀlimiyyah Instructor**	A Jamia Suffah alumnus who teaches morphology, vocabulary, Tajwīd, etiquette, and Tafsir.
Hafiz Irfan Farooq	**Hifz & Tajwīd Instructor**	An early Suffah Hifz graduate who serves as an imam, khateeb, and teacher.

Faculty assignments may vary by year, class level, and seminary scheduling needs.

08 · GRADUATE PATHWAYS

From study to service

Graduates leave with a foundation in the major Islamic sciences and the tools to continue learning, teaching, and serving.

Advanced Study
Hadith, Fiqh, Tafsir, Arabic, or Iftāʾ

Teaching & Daʿwah
Instruction, outreach, and writing

Community Leadership
Masjid, family, and community service

Why Jamia Suffah?

- Traditional scholarship in a structured program
- Qualified, experienced faculty
- English-medium instruction and Arabic development
- Qur'an, Hadith, and Ḥanafī Fiqh
- Character and spiritual formation
- Optional academic schooling

> *The goal is not merely to produce students who can read classical texts, but Muslims whose knowledge brings clarity, mercy, dignity, and benefit to the Ummah.*

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Begin the journey of sacred knowledge.

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